Newtown Cultural Arts Commission September 14, 2017 Meeting Minutes

The Newtown Cultural Arts Commission held a meeting on Thursday, September 14, 2017 at Town Hall South.

Members Present: Laura Lerman, Tracy Van Buskirk, Grant Ossendryver, Rob Kaiser, Jen

Cebry, Donna Randle, Andrea Spencer

Members Absent: John Conk **Auxiliary Members:** Elaine Martin

Guest: Lisa Schwartz

Laura Lerman called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

- The minutes of the 8/10/17 meeting were approved.
- Officers' Reports:
 - President: Laura Lerman reported the Municipal Center show is hung. Phil Keane has a lovely show of his photography. The showcase at the Library currently has a display to promote the Art Festival. The Firehouse behind ETC, which has been considered for a future art center, is currently being used to train police dogs.
 - A motion was made and passed to reimburse Rob Kaiser for approximately \$80 spent on the Labor Day Parade float.
- Public Participation: none
- Naming the Gallery at the Municipal Center: not discussed.
- Art Festival: Discussions covered social media coverage, arrangements for Sawyer Fredericks, need for more volunteers, physical layout and other logistics. In summary, we are good to go.
- New Submission Date for Grants: The deadline for grants will probably be moved to the spring to coincide with scholarship awards.
- Definition of "arts organization". Discussed the idea of broadening the definition of arts organization in our Commission description, so that a larger base will benefit from our efforts to promote the arts in Newtown.
- Grants were awarded to a local artist and Stray Cats.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:52pm.

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All meetings to be held at: Conference Room, Town hall South unless otherwise noted.

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